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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

UST Owners and Operators,
Environmental Consultants and Contractors,
And Other Interested Parties

To Whom It May Concern:

Re: RE: Clarification of June 30, 2014 Announcement
Concerning ELTF Claims and UST Notification Forms

In a mailing to all UST owners and operators on June 5, 2014, the IDEM's UST section requested that all UST owners and/or operators complete and submit an updated UST Notification Form to ensure that the IDEM has accurate UST owner/operator information and financial responsibility information. IDEM's UST Branch is continuing to work with UST owners and operators to ensure the timely submittal of these forms.

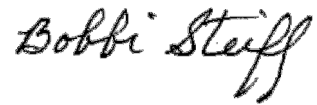
ELTF fund access is limited to the persons listed at 328 IAC 1-3-1(a). In accordance with 328 IAC 1-3-1(e) the IDEM may determine the identity of the tank owner or tank operator based on the notification submitted under 329 IAC 9-2-2. Verifying that the appropriate documentation is in place to ensure payment to the named applicant is IDEM's responsibility prior to sending approved claims to the Auditor of the State for payment.

All new eligibility determinations will continue to require appropriate documentation as outlined in the June 30, 2014 announcement.

Additionally, there may be situations where the IDEM's ELTF Claims Section may need to request further documentation from an ELTF applicant for a LUST Incident that has previously been determined to be eligible. Such situations may occur when the applicant on an ELTF claim does not match either the documented owner or operator or have required documentation, such as a power of attorney or assignment of the right of reimbursement, from the owner or operator listed on the most recent UST notification form.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 317-234-0935 or via email at rsteiff@idem.IN.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bobbi Steiff". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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